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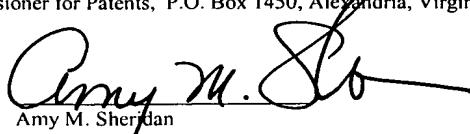
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Non-U.S. Patent Documents

1. Korean Patent Publication No. KR-20-1993-0007453, to Applicant: Bok Goo Byun, published on October 30, 1993 (with English-language abstract);
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3. Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 10-215701, to Applicant: Kano Seisakusho: KK, published on August 18, 1998 (with English-language abstract);
4. Japanese Patent Publication No. JP-52-112543, to Applicant: Hirose Osamu, published on September 21, 1977, which relates to a pileup pot system that illustrates a vertically elongated plant cultivation tubular system having plural apertures accommodating plant material; and,
5. Japanese Patent Publication No. JP-55-125521, to Applicant: Osaka Fu, published on October 22, 1980, which relates to a cultivating method and apparatus for potted plants.

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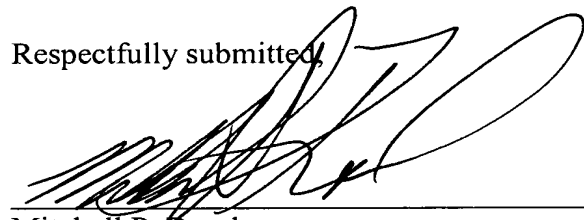
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